

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 35-45 and 85-127 are presently active in this application, Claims 37, 40, 89, 93, 96, 99 and 101 having been amended and Claims 103-127 having been added by way of the present Amendment.

In the Notice of Allowability, Claims 35-45 and 85-102 were allowed.

Claims 37, 40, 89, 93, 96, 99 and 101 have been amended to correct typographical errors or informalities. No new matter has been introduced. Therefore, Claims 35-45 and 85-102 are believed to be allowable.

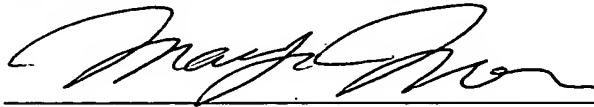
New Claims 103-127 are fully supported by the specification, drawings and claims as originally filed. Applicant therefore submits that no new matter has been introduced. The cited references do not disclose or even suggest the features recited in Claims 103-127. Therefore, Claims 103-127 are also believed to be allowable.

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In light of the indication of allowance, and in view of the discussion presented above, the present application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Applicant therefore respectfully requests an early action favorable to that effect.

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